

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR DON KNABE

September 8, 2015

The County CEO is the Chief Financial Officer for Los Angeles County. It is the CEO's role and responsibility to recommend an annual budget to the Board of Supervisors that includes expenditure amounts and appropriate revenue streams for each county department and function.

Since Fiscal Year 2008-2009, as a result of the recession, the County has faced significant budget challenges with downward pressure on locally generated revenue that is used to finance the net county cost portion of our annual budget. The challenges presented by the most recent economic downturn were managed without major service reductions, layoffs, or furloughs of county employees. This accomplishment was made possible through the conservative budget practices of our CEO and the Board of Supervisors leadership and adherence to strong and conservative fiscal policies.

This Board recently created the Office of Diversion and Re-Entry that I am in support of. This

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office, as with all other county functions, should be a part of the county's annual budget process. This process includes allowing our CEO to make recommendations regarding appropriate expenditure levels, based upon available county resources, as well as appropriate revenue streams to finance the function.

I, THEREFORE MOVE that the Board instruct the CEO to make the Office of Diversion and Re-Entry part of the annual budget process, and make annual recommendations to this Board through the April recommended budget regarding expenditures and revenues for the Office of Diversion and Re-Entry.

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